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FATTY ACIDS USING GENETICALLY MODIFIED PLANTS

Sir:

This paper is in response to a Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application dated June 19, 2000. Please find attached hereto the following documents:

Executed Declaration for US Patent Application; Power of Attorney <u>X</u> And Designation of Correspondence Address;

Assignment Cover Sheet;

Executed Assignment;

Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 and 4 references;

A Certified Copy of Priority Document FR 9712368 dated October 3, 1997;

A copy of Notice of Missing Parts dated 6/19/2000; and

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In addition, please note that one of the inventor names was spelled incorrectly. According to the missing parts notice, it appears as "Marc Menaed," but the correct spelling is Marc Menard."

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